

New music therapy program to start

by Roxann Blackburn

The Music therapy program will be introduced at the University in the upcoming fall semester. The essence of the new program will be the "master classes," which involve music experts interacting with students one-on-one, giving valuable suggestions and innovative ideas to refine students' abilities.

"Music therapy is healing without drugs," said Professor Thomas Juliusburger.

Mr. Biegel, who will be playing with the Bridgeport Symphony Orchestra on April 10, was the last to conduct a master class at the University, held in the Arnold Bernard Center. Apparently, Mr. Biegel was impressed by the facilities available to students enrolled in the music program here at UB.

"Professor Jeffrey Johnson is generating a lot of excitement," said Professor Juliusburger, commending the director of the music program. "It is these beginnings of concentration that will link us," he said, comparing the Music Therapy program with Naturopathic practices.

However, this is not the only new addition to the list of courses being offered next

semester. "Introduction to Modern Dance," and "Introduction to Acting I," will be new courses which students can register for starting this fall.

centrations in sculpture, photography, painting and drawing. Although this is still in the planning stages, Professor Juliusburger says it is being done because "firstly, there is

a need for it and secondly, it ties in with the music therapy, giving students the desired skill and experience."

He went on to add that "every school can do with an art therapist." However, it will be a while before Fine Arts is officially declared as a

major since the school is required to obtain licensure.

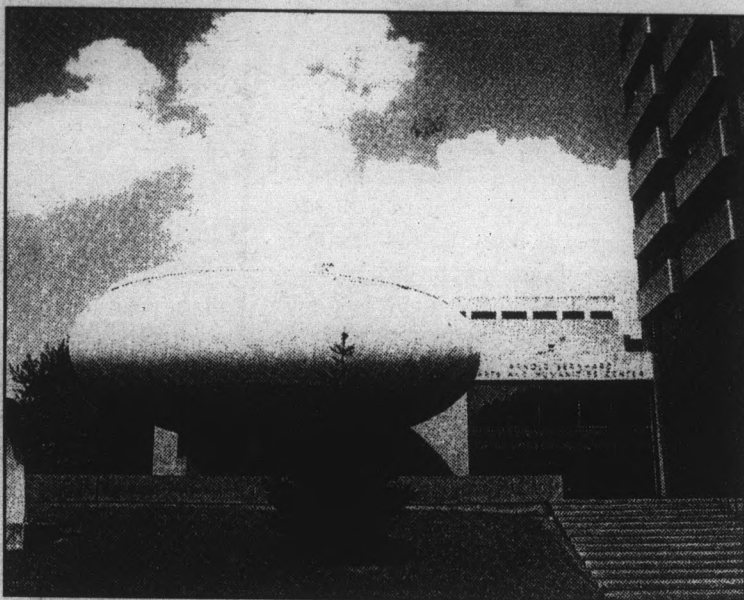
Professor Juliusburger strongly believes that if the word about these new programs and facilities was spread, Fine Arts, as a major could prove to be a very popular choice among students. This he believes, is not just ideal dreaming. His ideal dream is "to be able to build a Fine Arts program that is so good at the basics that the students come here to UB before they enter graduate school."

However, until the University can offer Fine Arts as a major, students looking for something fun and challenging can find it in the two new courses next fall.

The course "Introduction to Acting I" will not only teach students how to act, but also the fundamentals of production, said Professor Juliusburger. All these new happenings in the School of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences are further supplemented by the renovation of the Andre and Clara Mertens Theatre. The theater is also equipped with green rooms and suites for the stars that will perform there.

All this reiterates Professor Juliusburger's view that "the gallery is the place where the students can come in contact with the cutting edge."

Another major change in the near future is the addition of a Fine Arts major, with con-



The Arnold Bernahrd Center is the site of the new Music Therapy program.

Improved facilities for Health Sciences

by Roxann Blackburn

Things appear to be running more efficiently at the new Health Center at Warner Hall. Recent upgrades and renovations of the old dormitory building have created a more pleasant and professional environment for students, patients, and workers.

For the past twenty years, Patricia Shuster has been working as a nurse at the University Health Center. Ms. Shuster welcomes the recent changes. She believes that the Health Center is "doing a great service of treating and educating students," and said that since relocation, she has received significant positive feedback from students. Ms. Shuster also stated, "I would like to see more doctor appointments worked into the

satisfied. Melisa Jean-Bart commented that the Health Center "needs more doctors and more flexible hours and should open on weekends."

In the past, University had an infirmary, and nurses were available twenty-four hours a day. However, due to high costs and a decline in student population, the University had to shut the infirmary down. At present, the Center has three doctors available for treating students.

Students are encouraged to come into the Center as soon as they feel ill, since treatment becomes more difficult as an illness progresses.

With increasing enrollment at the University, the College of Chiropractic has seen growth in the number of patients that come in for treatments. Students and Bridge-



University and Bridgeport community alike take advantage of the new Health Sciences Center

system."

Generally, most students appear to be impressed with the new health facilities. Royalty R. Weldon said, "I think it is very convenient that they have interns working." Some students, however, were not as

port residents have been frequenting the new Center. Markeeta Pathway, a secretary at the Chiropractic College, said "there is definitely an increase in the amount of in and out patients coming in for treatment since the move."

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Recourse available for harassment

by Geetha Tharmaratnam

A meeting between Southern New England Telephone (SNET) and University representatives on Tuesday, March 23, resulted in assurance that the long awaited features of caller identification and voice-mail for students will come this fall. However, in necessary cases, these features can be installed, as in the case of telephone harassment.

There are several cases a semester when people report that they are being harassed by crank or blank calls, but in

many of these cases, there was only one phone call, or a few.

The Director of Residential Life, David Oestreicher, told *The Scribe* that in such a case when a student is harassed, they should report it to their Resident Advisors and to Campus Security. This, he said, would help as a basis

for Residential Life's investigation. He is currently processing one case that has been ongoing since last semester.

At present, Mr. Oestreicher is handling three cases of e-mail harassment. These are the first such cases that have been

"Many (harassment) cases result from relationship problems"

--David Oestreicher

reported to him. Again, he suggested that students follow the procedure of reporting it to their Resident Advisors and to

Campus Security.

He also advised that people print out the harassing messages and note the date and time they were sent.

Sometimes, when Mr. Oestreicher manages to discover the harasser, the student refuses to press charges as he or she may know the harasser, "many cases result from relationship problems" he said.

Janet Merritt, dean of Students is convinced, "It is no more a problem here than it is in the general public."

Mr. Oestreicher and Dean Merritt have no doubt that there will be less telephone harassment once the caller Identification feature is added to the University's telephone system.

Miscellaneous

Purchasing the best computer

by Arman Gevorgyan

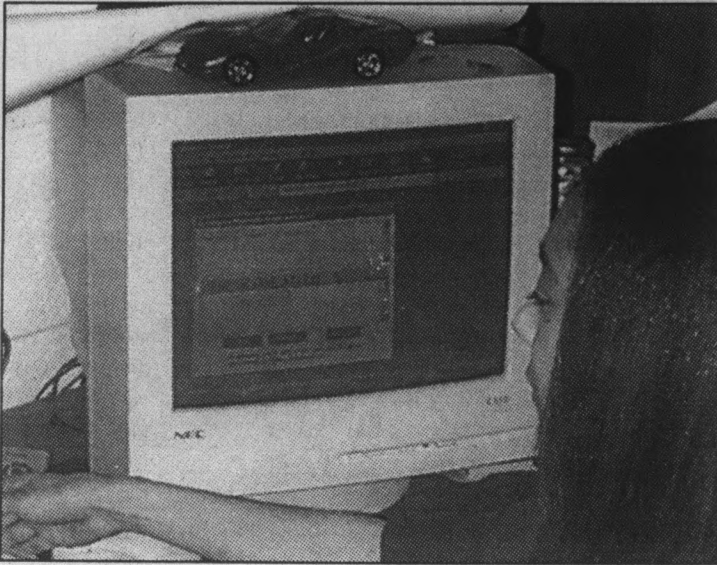
Deciding to buy a computer can have a big impact on your financial situation. There are several important considerations that one should make before purchasing a computer.

Before starting to look for a computer, you should decide whether you want to purchase a notebook or a desktop system. If you are undecided about which you want, analyze your preferences. If performance and future upgrades are low on your priority list,

consider purchasing a notebook. If flexibility is needed, and you have a smaller budget, consider purchasing a desktop. You can get a reasonable notebook computer that includes an active matrix screen, a CD-ROM drive, and a modem for less than \$1,000.

The easiest way to find the right computer for you is through the Internet. If you prefer a particular brand,

look for it at the manufacturer's site, such as www.ibm.com or www.compaq.com. Many Internet sites allow the prospective buyers to enter specifications for their computers and find compatible systems. www.computershopping.com, for example, allows its users



Investing in a computer is not an easy financial decision

to specify the price range, processor speed, and hard drive capacity. Then, the site runs a query and finds the systems that meet the requirements. Other great sites that offer listings of computers for sale are www.shopper.com and www.buycomp.com, said Bryan Barrett, an MIS major.

If you wish to save money, do not

purchase your system from a retailer! Retailers get their inventory from manufacturers, and mark up its price to cover additional costs, such as storage at the retail location and salespersons' salaries. If buyers purchase their systems directly from the manufacturers or over the Internet, they can avoid many of these costs. Other bargain hunters may wish to try their luck at Internet auctions. The two most popular auction sites are www.onsale.com and www.ubid.com. Both have brand new and refurbished systems on sale directly and through an auction, where the highest bidder wins the computer. Another inexpensive way to get a computer is to assemble one. However, this method is for the few brave ones who have the necessary know-how and patience.

Shopping for computers through the Internet provides other advantages besides lower prices. Internet buyers usually are able to customize the systems that they are purchasing to their needs. Further, buyers generally can avoid sales taxes on their purchases, and thus get automatic savings of 6%. However, Internet shopping has drawbacks, too. Shipping and handling fees are added to the price of the system and in certain cases can reach triple digits. Also, the risk of becoming a scam victim is higher. One always has to make sure that the seller is a legitimate party before mailing the check or providing credit card information.

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"Years of Wonder" at All Art Gallery

by Seemanti Borkotoky

The All Art Gallery at the Arnold Bernhard Center displays the talent of student artists. Currently, the gallery is showing "Years of Wonder" by Rafael Rodrigues.

Mr. Rodrigues said the name of the collection reflects the nature of his paintings, which all have a different meaning and show his idea of society, family, friends and life in general.

Mr. Rodrigues is a Graphic Design major at UB who started painting in 1997. He initially came here to study Business. "I have been drawing since the age of seven and the Graphic Design course includes painting and drawing as subjects. Art is a more creative line and lets me express my feelings, which is why I changed my major," he said.

When asked which is his favorite painting, he remarked, "Each one of them is a part of me and represents something that I have gone through in life. However, the closest one to me is 'Melancholic.' After I finished painting it, I realized that it reminded me of my grandfather, a person who has lived a long life and been through a lot of pains but is still at peace with himself. The brick and wood colors I've used in the painting reflect that."

Mr. Rodrigues wants to continue painting as a hobby. He said that he does not want to sell his paintings, but wants to paint to express himself and let people know him through his work.

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Yale speaker a no show for SCUBA

by Ana Kleshelskaya

Accustomed to meeting every other Thursday, Social Cerebral Society of UB (SCUBA) gathered once again on March 4 in the Commuter Lounge of the Student Center. This SCUBA meeting was advertised as a presentation by the New England Skeptical Society (NESS) on the subject of alternative versus conventional medicine. The event was promising to be a great success: over 25 people, both faculty and students, showed up to participate in the discussion, which was to follow the presentation. However,

there seemed to have been a slight bit of a problem – the speaker was missing (in action).

Having waited for over 40 minutes with hopes that the speaker's tardiness had a legitimate explanation, the SCUBA executive council was forced to proceed with the meeting without the speaker. The event was a success from the intellectual standpoint, as nearly everyone who attended the meeting was able to take active part in the dis-

cussion.

As it turned out, the speaker, Steven Novella, who is the president of NESS and a full-time surgeon at the Yale New Haven Hospital, simply explained his absence as a "scheduling error" in a brief letter of apology to SCUBA.

This was not the first time when SCUBA invited NESS for a presentation. In its last appearance at the University in Spring '98, NESS made an introductory presentation about the focus and interests of the organization. That presentation proved to be a great success, as it spurred a lively discussion.

This was the second time when Yale-affiliated speakers gave a "no show" to the University community. "They're simply afraid of our intellectual superiority and are way too self-absorbed," was the comment of a SCUBA counsel member. It seems that this disrespectful attitude of the "Yalees" speaks volumes of their "intellectual superiority."



Student Congress Update

The Financial Committee would like to remind all clubs and organizations requesting allocations from Congress to note the following:

The last financial committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 5, 1999.

The final deadline for all receipts for events is the Tuesday, April 12, 1999, unless the event is held during the month of April, in which case the receipts are due one week after the event is held.

According to the Student Congress Constitution, the student club/organization advisor, president and treasurer are responsible for any money allocated to the organization that is not accounted for by receipts.

A detailed financial report will be available at the House of Representatives meeting on Wednesday, April 14, 1999.

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Nutrition presentation

by John E. Musser

Another name was added to the list of distinguished guest speakers at UB as Dr. John H. Weisburger gave a lecture on food and nutrition on Wednesday, March 3. The presentation was hosted by the Biology Department and SNOA, to inform members of the University community about issues concerning their health.

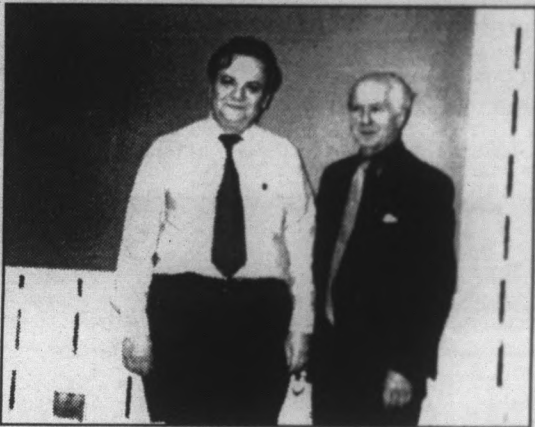
Dr. Weisburger is an internationally renowned leader in issues concerning diet and health, and has received many accolades throughout his career. He has

served as an officer in the U.S. Public Health Service, and on the editorial board of various scientific and medical journals. Dr. Weisburger has published over 500 of his own papers describing the findings from his research, and is one of the most cited authors in the reports of other research scientist, according to the Institute of Scientific Information.

The event yielded a remarkable turnout, as the lecture hall of Tech 116 filled up with people. While most people in attendance were from the Biology department, students from several different majors also showed up.

Dr. Weisburger opened the lecture by speaking about health care costs,

citing that the rising expenses could be drastically reduced across the nation by a healthier lifestyle. Many of the leading causes of death in Americans, including heart disease, cancer, and strokes, can be reduced by a healthier lifestyle. In fact, according to Dr. Weisburger, 60% of chronic diseases in the U.S. result from improper dietary habits.



Professor Katsifis and Dr. Weisburger, after the lecture sponsored by SNOA.

Dr. Weisburger described the dietary trends of people in other countries, showing the effects of various habits. He stated that while Japanese typically consume a low-fat diet, their high salt intake contributes to

stroke cases. Cancer is also a growing problem in Japan, partly because the people are adopting Western eating habits.

SNOA and the Biology Department plan to have other distinguished scientists in the future to discuss issues like environmental contamination, food contamination, the human genome project, and human cloning.

SNOA, an officially chartered club at UB, is making a comeback this academic year, after years of declining activity. Lead by advisor Dr. Spiros P. Katsifis, the club recently had work published in the scientific journal *In Vivo*, and wants to play in active role in the academic life of UB.

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Tech Update

by Puneet Batra

Just when online sales were becoming popular for the fact that no sales tax is applied to products that are sold online, key lawmakers have predicted that this will not last. A number of Republicans have advocated new taxes to ensure online sellers make an equal contribution to state and local revenues. Last year, Congress imposed a three-year moratorium on any such taxes while more studies on the matter are done. Although a number of Republicans feel that these taxes are inevitable, former House Speaker Newt Gingrich disagrees. On March 23, he proposed an extension of the moratorium, which is known as the Internet Tax Freedom Act, for another five years. He feels that it is the only way that e-commerce can expand into a full-fledged industry.

While the government is trying to get its share of money from the online industry, elsewhere, high-tech thieves are pilfering huge amounts of money away from manufacturers and their customers. In a new study that was released last week by Rand, a non-profit institution in Santa Monica, California, shows that manufacturers and consumers lose over five billion dollars annually to stolen hardware and computer goods. The theft is carried out in many ways, the most popular of which is theft from warehouses.

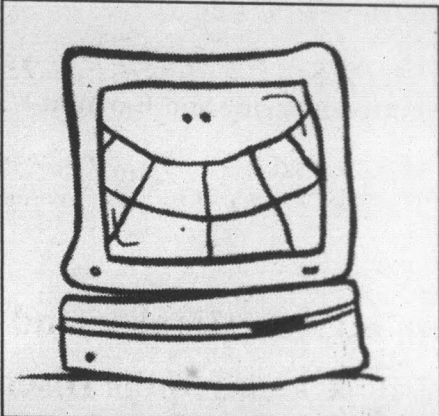
For those of us who rely on more ordinary means of acquiring items of interest, a new company in Massachusetts, QuickBuy Inc., may revolutionize the way we shop. The company has

improvised on the electronic shopping cart. Now it allows the users to drag and drop items that they wish to purchase into a "buycon" on the users' desktop. If or when the consumers decide to purchase the items, they can do so. The software will be available at no cost to users, as the company will generate revenues from vendor commissions.

In other news, Yahoo! Inc. has major expansion plans with its mind set for the acquisition of Broadcast.com and, possibly, online auctioneer eBay.com. Also, with the year 2000 coming closer, IBM Corporation has come up with a \$575 million budget to fix the Y2K bug in its own systems. The money is allocated for code conversion, testing, and contingency planning.

Microsoft is expected to unveil its reorganization soon. It has planned to split the corporation into four groups and appoint two managers to lead the Microsoft Network's online activities. Meanwhile, the Computer and Communications Industry Association (CCIA) is getting ready to announce that if Microsoft is not broken up by the courts, it should get ready to face another round of protracted antitrust litigation in the near future.

Although the computer industry is highly competitive, its activities might seem irrational to some of us. Conventional technology wisdom says, "Trust the computer industry to shorten 'Year 2000' to 'Y2K'." It was this kind of thinking that caused the problem in the first place."



Spring Break

Panama City. Cancun. Acapulco. These names should sound familiar to most students. They are the most popular spring break locations for thousands of college students looking to have a good time.

Top Ramen. Subway. Bodine. These names should also sound familiar to most students. They are the most popular items and places that University of Bridgeport students on spring break are accustomed with.

If you were fortunate enough not to have somewhere to go this spring break, you were able to stay at one of several fine accommodations – elegant Bodine Hall, luxurious Barnum Hall, or glamorous Seeley Hall.

As with past spring breaks, most students who remained on campus in these hotels were unlimited in their choice of things to do – ranging from sleeping late to catching up on homework.

One student, who wishes to remain anonymous, had the absurd notion that "there was nothing to do on-campus

during the break."

Blasphemy! There was plenty to do over the break. Here are some of the wonderful things that students did:

Slept. Hoped Marina would open for at least one meal. Ate Spaghetti-Os. Watched WWF. Watched Jerry Springer. Watched the WWF battle Jerry Springer. Attempted to refute Kant's Categorical Imperative. Memorized Monty Python and the Search for the Holy Grail. Wished the UBAT Date Auction was held during spring break.

The most wonderful facet of the spring break was the closure of all University offices on March 15, the first day of the vacation.

The primary complaint was the weather turned too cold too quickly. This meant that the Sumo wrestler snow statue in front of Marina Dining Hall could not be run into and smashed to bits.

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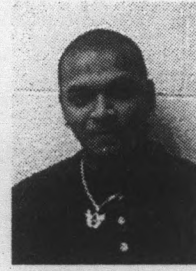
"It will upgrade the team. Seaside is horrible. We have fan support, and people who have never been to the stadium will have a good time."

Adam Bajkl



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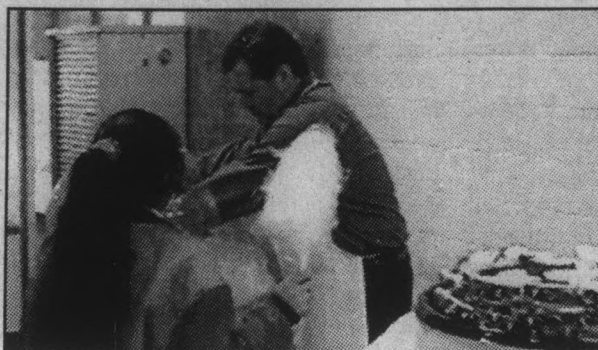
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Justine Boampong said, "It was a nice event, they need to have them more often." Members of Marina staff, decked off in colorful hats, also enjoyed themselves.

Bill Zimmach, Food Service director, commented that "everyone at Food Service had a great

time, and we are planning on another

This year, Marina took a break from its regular routine and surprised students with "Spring Fling '99," a special spring break dinner. The event, which was held on March 11, was the first of its kind to be hosted by Marina.

Student Development and Marina Dining Hall sponsored the event, which featured a live DJs, and free cotton candy and gifts for students.

Spring Fling '99 was organized to get students to have fun together and celebrate the upcoming spring break. According to Dean of Students Janet Merritt, the event was aimed at creating a fun and enjoyable atmosphere at Marina. She added that Spring Fling '99 was like a "family event party." The general reaction from students about Spring Fling '99 was positive.



Student Development volunteers provided music for the evening

surprise event before the end of the semester."

Spring Fling '99 was a success. Not only was it fun, but it was also a pleasant break from the stress and pressure of mid-term exams. As an extra plus, the event was free to all university students on a meal plan.

Power outage on campus



On Wednesday, March 24, a short in the electrical lines underground caused electricity to be turned off in many buildings including Bodine, Dana, North, and South Halls as well as Campus Security. Physical Plant try to correct the problem that may result in Bodine residents to vacate the building for the night. As of 1:00 PM, it had not been fixed.

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Barnum residents show off talents

by Jack Ndombi

The week before Spring Break, students were treated to an array of talent amongst fellow students. The Barnum Hall Talent show was the first of its kind in Barnum Hall, and was organized by one of the residential assistants, Olumide Adebayo, and Barnum Hall Committee Chairman Atul Sardana. The talent show was held in Barnum Hall in the recreation lounge on the first floor.

The show was open to all students, and sign-up sheets had been posted for several weeks before in each of the three dorms.

The talent show was supposed to start at 8:00 PM, but many of the participants could not make it at that time because of their class schedule. As a result, the show did not start until 9:00 PM.

The show included the many participants performing different acts. Some of the performers read poetry, while others sang songs. There were also some rappers and dancers.

The winners were chosen by the audience, who applauded for the best acts. The two most applauded acts would win the prizes.

The winner of the contest

was Soeurette Jean Charles, who won a ten-dollar gift certificate to Pizza Works in Fairfield, while the runner-up Simeon Goodson won a five-dollar gift certificate to Blockbuster Video.

Ms. Jean-Charles said "The show was nice; there was a lot of talented people, and it was a good opportunity for students to get together."

Mr. Adebayo stated that the show was originally supposed to be after the Spring Break. They decided to move it forward because they had been advertising it for too long and they did not want people to get tired of the advertisements while waiting for it.

According to Mr. Adebayo, the main reason that for holding the talent show was to make students realize that school is not only about books, but also realizing our other talent within.

They plan to hold another talent show next year and they hope it will be just as successful as this one.

Later on this semester, Mr. Adebayo plans to hold another contest with help from the ELI program. The contest will be on "word smarts" - to figure how good people are at written and spoken English.

Holi celebration in the Student Center

by Atul Sardana

Holi Nite took place on Saturday, March 6, in the Student Center Social Room. The event celebrated the arrival of the spring and the passing of the winter. The party, which started at 8:30 PM, was full of color, music,

ple disregard their past differences with others, and forget their worries.

"I loved the party; it was a lot of fun and I felt like I was back home celebrating Holi with my friends and family," said Avishek Agarwal.

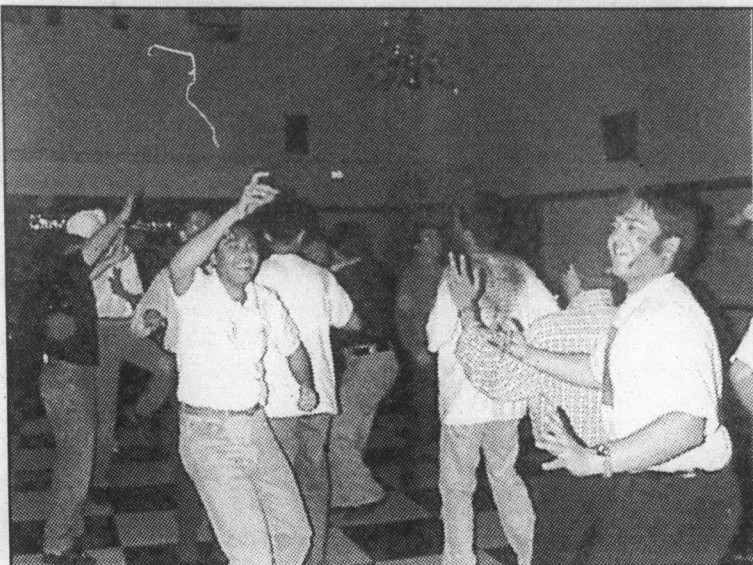
On Holi, people are often

with colored water from water guns. Colored powder, gulal, is sprinkled on men and women, young and old, rich and poor, until they have colors on their hands, face, hair and clothes. People often gather together in small groups to sing and dance.

Every time a new guest entered the Social Room, they were clobbered by groups of people with gulal. They then joined in with the partygoers to dance to Indian music and throw colors with everyone else.

Those that attended the event enjoyed themselves, however, more people were expected to attend. Gautam Kanoria said "It could have been more enjoyable with a bigger crowd."

Indian Student Association President Gaurav Bhatia said "We made the decision to have the party on short notice, and we were not able to advertise much. Midterms were also another reason affecting the turnout."



Students revel in the tradition of tossing color at each other

lights, and snacks.

Holi is an Indian holiday that breathes an atmosphere of social merriment. It also a time for forgiveness, as peo-

ple caught off-guard by revelers as they are hit with balloons filled with colors, drenched with colored water from people on rooftops, and squirted

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Thursday, March 25, 9:00 PM
Date Auction
Student Center Social Room
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Friday, March 26, 4:00 PM
Chamber Music Concert featuring UB students
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Friday, March 26, 9:30-2:00 AM
"Caliente - The Hottest Party of the Year"
Student Center Social Room
Sponsored by Latin American Club
BYOB, \$3 in advance, \$8 non-UB

Tuesday, March 30, 12:00 - 1:15 PM
Yoga
Tai Chi Room, Third floor of Health Sciences Building
\$5 students, \$10 staff

SPORTS
Thursday, March 25, 2:30 PM
Softball vs. American International
Seaside Park
Baseball vs. Albertus Magnus
Harbor Yard Stadium

Saturday, March 27, 12:00 PM
Baseball vs. UMass Lowell
Harbor Yard Stadium
Softball vs. UMass Lowell
Seaside Park

Sunday, March 28, 1:00 PM
Softball vs. Assumption College
Seaside Park

Sports

Baseball team off to a rough start

by Jamie Rowe

Over the spring break many students went home to visit their families and take some time off from their studies. The UB baseball team had different plans for this past spring break. The Purple Knights took the trip of a lifetime as they took their first 10 games on the road to Homestead, Florida, against some of the best Division I, II, and III baseball teams in the country.

Unfortunately, the team went 0 and 10, but the quality of competition that they faced was tremendous. Coach Matt Reed said, "We need to play against this kind of competition in order to improve."

Coach Reed is correct in his statement, because teams in the NECC do not compare to the competition that they faced this past week. The team received plenty of compliments on their practices as spectators watched,

but the team tends to get too excited for the games. According to Coach Reed, "This team works very hard and they gave their all this past week."

Brian Thompson was the dominant pitcher, as he lead the team with a 1.74 earned run average. Warren Mierdrich was the leading batter with a .368 batting average. Chhin Chhay contributed a .290 batting average and a homerun. Kevin Huber was also a strong batter with a .259 batting average.

The Purple Knights home-opener will be at beautiful Harbor Yard Stadium, this Thursday at PM, against Albertus Magnus.

The UB baseball team may be off to a slow start, but with the talent that this team has, the NECC better can expect some fierce competition from the Purple Knights baseball team.

Intramurals heat up

by Jamie Rowe

As the NCAA tournament starts to heat up, the same can be said for the UB Intramurals. People are on the edge of their seats, and teams expect-

ed to win are sometimes upset.

The first game of Wednesday's Intramurals was not one of those upsets, but the Blue team had to do it without their team leader, Jamil Lawrance, who had a class to attend. Many thought that the team would fold without their captain, but Samuel Rincon and Akwasi Durham combined for 26 of the team's 49.

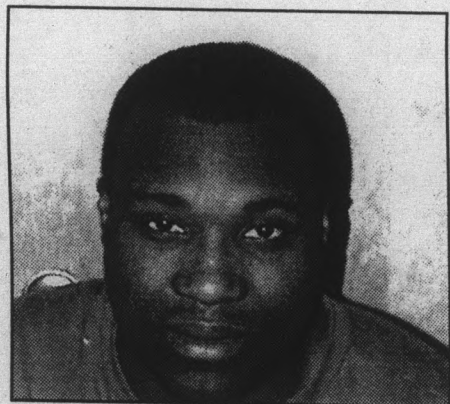
The Chiropractic II team would not go away easy, though. At the 7:00 minute mark, they were down 43 to 29, but Dave Berkowitz brought them back into the game, with his team-high 16 points. Even though the chiropractic team gave a valiant effort, the Blue team proved too strong, as Chiro II fell 49-42.

The second game was like a classic North Carolina and Duke game played at Cameron Indoor Arena. The battle was between the Red team and the Chiropractic I team. The lead exchanged numerous times between the teams.

There were plenty of stars for the teams on this night. For the Red team, Khary Williams lead the team with 17 points. Former standout basketball star Dionne Williams, who is the only female in the league, contributed 10 points. Many may be fooled because she is a girl, but she averages 10 points a game.

As for Chiro I, they have one of the best players in the league in Mat Krieger. He scored a game-high 21 points. Lorenzo Gonzalez also played a strong game, contributing 8 points for Chiro I.

Mr. Krieger and Mr. Gonzalez may have done all of the scoring for Chiro I, but the real star of the night was Kenny Friedman who was fouled while taking a three-pointer, with Chiro I down 1 point with 2 seconds left. He made the two free throws and gave Chiro I the 52 to 51 victory.



Player's Name: Devonne Parker

Sport: Basketball

Age: 21

Hometown: Waterbury, Connecticut

Hobbies: Basketball, video games, hanging out with his friends and his girlfriend Jennifer Jones.

Description: Mr. Parker had an excellent season this year, as he led the Purple Knights in scoring with an average of 16.0 points and 3.6 assists per game. He earned an Honorable Mention on the New England Collegiate Conference team. Mr. Parker will also take part in the Northeast Region Division I and Division II All-Star game.

Future Dreams: His future dreams is to play professional basketball overseas and to become a counselor for children.

Women's Softball

By Dale Carnegie

The UB women softball team kicked off their season opener in Florida over the spring break. The UB women played some very inspirational softball, and overall the tournament was a learning experience for the team.

The UB softball team played eight games in the span of seven days. They competed against three very strong opponents, and they were able to attain a record of 2 wins - 6 losses. The UB women competed to the fullest of their ability, and utilized their complete arsenal

"I believe that this team will be competitive this season"
--Debra Larson

The tournament in Florida will help the women's softball team gain strength and poise during the rest of the season as they compete against top ranked teams. This season, the softball team will look to improve on last season's 6 wins - 26 losses record. The Lady Knights return with several players, and they have two fantastic transfer players in the lineup. They will

also be starting several freshmen which could have an immediate impact on the team.

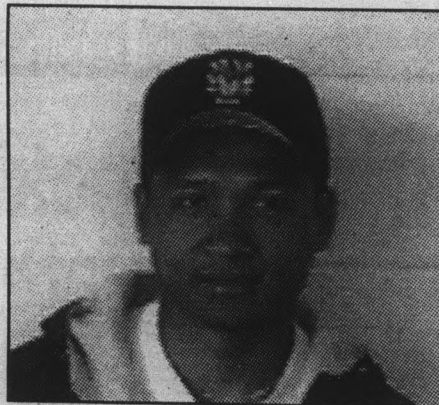
Second basemen Katie Rossiter and catcher Sarah Harrison, both transferred from Shasta Community College in Redding, California and are looking to play a major role in Bridgeport's '99 campaign. The team will also be relying on freshman pitcher Brianne Greely, and freshman center fielder, Courtney Hibbard, to provide the team with solid defense.

"Our two transfers are going to be key for us this season," said Head Coach Debra Larson, who begins her third season as the head coach. "If they play well and everyone stays healthy, we'll do just fine this season."

Returning players Mindy Scherer, Valerie Steen, and Jaclyn Platt are three of UB's top hitters and will provide much needed offense for the Lady Knights. Ms. Steen pitched in a team high 124 innings for last season, compiling a 4 wins - 12 losses record and 3.22 ERA.

"I believe that this team will be competitive this season," said Coach Larson. "Because we're a little low on numbers this season, we'll have to stay healthy to be in a position to be competitive. This team definitely has the potential to score a lot of runs."

ATHLETIC PROFILE



Player Name: Chhin Chhay

Sport: Baseball

Age: 22

Major: Finance

Hometown: Danbury, Connecticut

Hobbies: Baseball, clubbing, Watching TV, hanging out with friends,

Description: Mr. Chhay has the second highest batting average on the team for the tournament in Florida, and he also led the team in RBI. According to his teammates, he and others showed signs of early spring rust, which was expected. Mr. Chhay hit the team's only home run. The team will look for him to be a leader during the season, and by the looks of it, he is off to a good start.

Future Dreams: Successful mortgage banker making a six-figure salary, wonderful wife and three kids.

Scoreboard

Men's Baseball

Dominican	Lost, 2-7
Lynn University	Lost, 0-11
Lewis University	Lost, 4-19
Oakland(Michagan)	Lost, 6-12
Wesleyan	Lost, 3-16
Wheaton	Lost, 2-11
Millersville	Lost, 1-10
College of NJ	Lost, 1-11
Springfield	Lost, 2-14
Mass College	Lost, 1-14

Women's Softball

Miami Dade	Won 4-1
	Won 5-3
	Lost 2-3
	Lost 11-13
Nova College	Lost 1-13
	Lost, 1-13
Lynn University	Lost 2-5
	Lost, 5-10

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